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SUBJECT: DOCUMENTATION FOR NARCOTICS AGENTS

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1. WE APPRECIATE THE CONSIDERATIONS SET FORTH IN REFTEL AND YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF THE IMPORTANCE WE PLACE ON THE PRESIDENT' S DIRECTIVE REGARDING THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST INTERNATIONAL NARCOTICS TRAFFIC. HOWEVER, THE ISSUANCE OF PASSPORTS IN FALSE IDENTITIES BY THE ARM OF THE USG LEGALLY AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE BONA FIDE PASSPORTS PRESENTS US WITH SEVERE MISGIVINGS AND POTENTIAL PROBLEMS.

2. SEEKING MEANS TO OVERCOME THESE DIFFICULTIES, WE CONSULTED BNDD ABOUT THEIR AGENTS' NEED FOR PASSPORTS ISSUED IN ASSUMED NAMES. WE LEARNED, HOWEVER, THAT BNDD DOES NOT WISH TO MAKE A JUSTIFICATION AT THIS TIME FOR SUCH DOCUMENTATION EITHER IN GENERAL OR FOR A PARTICULAR CASE. BNDD STATES THAT IT HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF SUCH A REQUEST FOR ITS AGENTS OPERATING IN ITALY AND HAS NOT
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APPROVED SUCH A REQUEST.

3. IN VIEW OF THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, ALL PASSPORTS PREVIOUSLY
ISSUED IN FALSE IDENTITIES SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE
DEPARTMENT. ROGERS

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